1	2	3
2.	Procurement of IT equipment	30.00
3.	Painting competition during World Tourism Day	0.50
	Total	308.00
	2003-2004	
1.	Development of Rural Tourism at Village Chitrakote	50.00
2.	Rajim and Bhoramdeo Festivals	7.00
	Total	57.00

National Capital Tourism Circuit

†2304. SHRI UDAY PRATAP SINGH: Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to formulate National Capital Tourism Centre; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN): (a) No such proposal is under consideration in the Department of Tourism.

(b) *Does not arise.*

Release of water from Alamatti Dam

2305. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any request has been received from Andhra Pradesh to take up the issue with the Government of Karnataka to release 50 TMC water from Alamatti Dam to meet the water requirements of Rayalaseema and Telangana areas; and

(b) if so, what action Government have taken in this regard?

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Union Minister of Water Resources has requested the Chief Minister of Karnataka to favourably view the request of Andhra Pradesh.

Implementation of Stage-IV Cauvery Water Supply Scheme

2306. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Karnataka has submitted a proposal for implementation of the Stage IV Phase-I of the Cauvery Water Supply Scheme through financial assistance from Japan Bank for International Co-operation during 2003-04; and

(b) if so, what are the details and the present status of the proposal?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) and (b) As informed by the Government of Karnataka, the "Cauvery Water Supply Project, Stage-IV, Phase-I" has since been completed. The proposal for "Cauvery Water Supply Project, Stage-IV, Phase-II" of the State Government of Karnataka at an estimated cost of Rs. 3672 crore recommended by the Union Ministry of Urban Development and Poverty Alleviation (Department of Urban Development) has been posed to the Government of Japan on 23.4.2003 for assistance from JBIC under 2003-04 loan package by the Department of Economic Affairs. As per information available, this project proposal has not been approved by the Government of Japan for funding under financial year 2003 package.

Mahadayi Diversion Project in Karnataka

2307. SHRI K.B. KRISHNA MURHTY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had kept its approval for the Mahadayi diversion project in Karnataka in abeyance;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Karnataka Government has requested the Central Government to accord early approval to the above project; and